

TEXAS TOWNS.

GILMER.

Gilmer, Texas, March 20.—We are glad to report everything moving on very nicely in Gilmer. Mr. A. Ingram's store (our popular colored merchant of this place) has been burglarized twice in the last three weeks and jewelry and a forty-five coil revolver, all amounting to something like \$200.00 was taken from the store. The burglars have been caught and most of the good recovered. Gilmer is a very active in church and school work these days. The C. M. E. church had a grand banquet last Friday night, March 14, a nice program was rendered. Among the speakers were Profs. Ingram, L. B. Cash, K. S. E. Henry and Mr. T. W. Wilson. The Gilmer band, led by Mrs. M. M. Bobb, at the piano furnished excellent music.

The Parent-Teacher's Association pulled off a grand rally a few Sundays ago. The Rev. S. J. Howard, pastor of the Baptist church, preached the annual sermon and a collection of \$21.00 was taken up. An excellent program was rendered by the Mothers and Fathers just before the sermon, the speakers for the occasion, Prof. A. Ingram. These clubs, Mothers and Fathers, are doing a good work in school improvement. Mrs. J. A. Hale is making good as president for the mothers and Mr. J. P. Montgomery is making good as the fathers president. Our public school has turned on new light and a greater Gilmer high school is expected soon.

Rev. H. M. Jones, the popular pastor of the C. M. E. church has established his headquarters at Mrs. L. A. Avery's residence. Call on him. We have had as our distinguished visitors in the last few weeks, Mr. Dan Bridges of Muskogee and Mr. Bunch Venter of Boiey, our old friends. Prof. C. W. Johnson, L. A. Perry, J. A. Broadnack, E. J. Owens, Mrs. N. J. Davis, E. Byas, L. R. Price, E. Echols, D. W. Watson all reports that their work is doing well. Help Rev. Prince in his \$500.00 rally at the A. M. E. church. He needs our help in real money more than sympathy. Give him some money. He will appreciate it.

TAYLOR.

Taylor, Texas, March 20.—Ideal Spring weather prevails in this section. Farming and gardening the order of the day. Religious worship was conducted at various churches. Mt. Carmel Baptist church has just closed a very successful revival in which six persons were united with the church.

Mr. Festus Mason and Miss Mabel Barnett of San Marcos were happily married Sunday night. Rev. G. W. Anderson officiating. Funeral service for Mrs. Pearl Wilson was held Thursday afternoon at Mt. Calvary Baptist church under the auspices of American Woodmen. A husband and daughter survive.

Mrs. Paralee Herring passed away at an early hour Thursday 13th inst. Funeral service occurred at 3 p. m. Sunday.

She was a member of Mt. Calvary Baptist church and Vivian Temple No. 183 S. M. T. and is survived by a husband, Mr. Thos. Herring, son, Mrs. John Hill and a number of other relatives. Mr. Pete Moreland and daughter, Misses Alberta and Mattie of Temple were here for the obsequies.

Messrs. Henry Hutchins, Joe Mays and Mrs. Gertrude Green left Monday for Hearne.

Mrs. R. H. Rabb was able to leave the sanitarium Friday and is now at the residence of Mrs. G. W. Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincus Davis have a new baby boy, born Monday.

Mrs. Alberta Harrison has returned home from Center after a long absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hennington, Mrs. B. E. Merriweather and children visited in Coupling Sunday. Miss Bessie Hicks left Monday for Elsie, Ariz., to be absent many months.

Rev. W. M. Guy of Navasota was here and preached at Mt. Aria Baptist church Sunday.

RUSK.

Rusk, Texas, March 20.—Mrs. J. M. McKellar, who has been ill, for the past few days, is able to be up.

Dr. O. L. Lattimore and Corporal Ramsey Henderson spent a few days on a hunting trip at Elm Grove. They were the guests of relatives and friends.

Mrs. M. J. Cumbo has called to Alto, Thursday, on account of the serious illness of her brother, J. O. Miller.

Mr. Arjesta Timmons is able to be about after a short illness.

Miss Elber B. Cumbo closed her school at Spring Hill, Friday. The closing exercises were well attended and all reports a good time. Among the visitors at the closing were Madams L. A. Lattimore and Lela Rolins from Jacksonville.

Mrs. Mary Cook Scott entertained a party of young people from Alto, Rusk and vicinity at her home, Friday night.

Mr. Hanson Smith, who has been ill for several weeks with pneumonia, is now able to be out among his friends.

Mr. Wayman Hicks of Ponta was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pinkston Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Gray, who were called to Texas on account of the illness of Mr. Gray's mother, have reported the mother is improving.

Mr. Israel Kennedy has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Egbert for the past week.

Mrs. E. E. Frazier, after spending several weeks visiting her mother, Mrs. Jennie Hicks, left for her home in Leavenworth, Kans., Sunday.

Miss Bettie Kennedy has closed her school and is now at home. The patrons of our public school have resolved to raise funds to promote the school term.

Mrs. N. L. Weems received a letter, souvenir and photograph from her nephew, Mr. George Ricketts, who is now in France, with an American force. Mr. Ricketts is a Rusk boy, and once attended the New Birmingham school. His school-mates will be pleased to learn that he is well and expects to be back in Texas as soon as he is relieved

RIESEL.

Riesel, Texas, March 20.—Services were well attended at the Sunset Baptist church Sunday, March 9. Rev. J. L. Lee, their pastor appointed Rev. Perkins to carry out his services for him, while he was busy engaged fighting sin at Harrison, Texas.

Miss Mary V. Donald, our teacher is bringing things to pass. The parents are so well pleased with her work until they have decided to extend the school two weeks longer at their own expense. Little Ruby Scott, the 7-month old baby of Mrs. Odessa Scott died March 14 and was buried on the 15th. Sunday school was well attended at the Zion Baptist church Sunday, March 16. Supt. Dorsey has built a front line Sunday school at his place. He has organized the home department and is doing a great work throughout the entire community.

At 4:30 p. m. the B. Y. P. U. rendered a nice program and the choir seemed to be at their best. Rev. H. Guy, the pastor preached a wonderful sermon at night, Sunday, March 23 will be a high day at Nazareth, Perry, Texas.

SMITHVILLE.

Smithville, Texas, March 20.—The big rally at Mt. Pilgrim Baptist church last Sunday was quite a success.

Rev. A. Denman, pastor; Elders Hutchison and Dudley and the members of the various churches assisted in this great effort.

Elder R. E. Hutchison was at his post Sunday and baptized eleven persons at the morning service.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church had a social last Thursday. Mrs. A. B. Newman, president; Mrs. Wm. Davis, secretary.

Mr. Phelix Williams, who is very sick has gone to the hospital in Dallas.

Mrs. F. L. Lavinder attended the Inter-scholastic meet of Travis and Bastrop counties at Elgin, last week.

Mrs. C. Lee and Mrs. F. L. Washington, her sister left for Galveston last week.

Elder T. H. Fox, P. C. of Winchester, was in the city last week.

Mr. V. Catley is here from France visiting relatives. Mr. Catley and Miss Charline Bracey motored to Winchester last week.

Mrs. Grim Bradley is improving. Mrs. Lizzie Garrett and Mrs. Dr. C. A. Adams are on the sick list.

Mrs. L. Cheatman left for her home, Thursday in San Antonio. Mrs. R. James left for Temple and Mr. Fred Mitchell, San Antonio.

Mr. M. C. Williams, Sergeant of Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. Ella Sparks and other relatives.

He spoke at the A. M. E. church Sunday morning and Wednesday night. Elder H. B. Bower preached at the church in Butte, Texas, Sunday. Miss Lula Mae Butler of Houston, a sweet singer rendered two selections at Mt. Pilgrim Sunday afternoon. She assisted Elder Bowden in his great educational drive.

SOUR LAKE.

Sour Lake, Texas, March 20.—The carpenters were busy last week on the new Mt. Rose church and the members with the co-operation of their pastor and friends are expected to erect a \$4,000.00 church.

Messrs. Derry and Harrington, colored carpenters are the contractors.

Sunday school is progressing rapidly and all departments of the church are proud of the interests that is being manifested.

There will be a \$3,000.00 rally at Mt. Rose Sunday.

At Tyrees' Chapel Sunday, Rev. C. L. Lee was at his post with Rev. Watts, a white Methodist preacher as a visitor and he preached a glorious sermon.

Mr. Rose Sunday school elected as delegates to the extra session of the General Bonoin Association which will convene in Port Arthur on the 26th. Supt. Pollard and sister L. B. Irvin.

Mrs. A. K. Watkins and children are the guests of their husband and father, Prof. A. K. Watkins, but is expecting to return to their home in Huntsville.

WHARTON.

Wharton, Texas, March 20.—The reporter and family have returned home after a few days' visit to Gonzales and Lickton. We report a pleasant trip. The St. James Sunday school under the Supt. J. J. Taylor is making great progress. We are in the race please look out.

Miss Ida Beck entertained several soldiers last week.

Mrs. S. Brown has spent several days in our town on account of sickness. Rev. Connelly and his family are visiting his brother, Mr. Rodan Armstrong. We are sorry to report the continued illness of Mr. Forrest Jenkins. Miss Beulah Good has returned from Houston. Mrs. Lula Daniel has returned to her home where she has been the guest of Mrs. Rodan Armstrong.

KENDLETON.

Kendleton, Texas, March 20.—Rev. H. C. Cashaw was at his post of duty from the second Sunday and preached a good old heart-felt Wharton sermon. Dr. Smith of Wharton was present and in the evening delivered an able address in the interest of his hospital located in the town of Wharton, Texas.

The Home Mission Society of Little Zion met today and had a splendid session. The sisters are doing a great work for the Master with Mrs. Sylvia Pink as president and Mrs. N. C. Gordon, secretary.

Mrs. Mattie Brown died recently leaving a large family and many friends to mourn her loss. Her son, Charley Brown of Camp Bowie was here to attend her funeral. Mrs. S. S. Thomas is on the sick list this week.

MISS MABEL HARRIS, Reporter.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH.

During the absence of our pastor, Rev. F. K. White, D. D., services were splendid all day Sunday. At 11:00 a. m. Rev. W. A. Lett preached an inspiring sermon from Mark 10:21, subject, "One Thing Thou Lackest," and at 7:30 p. m. preaching by Rev. DePrieze. Total amount raised Sunday \$20.69 Wednesday night Rev. Lett lectured 15 minutes to the Brethrenhood and Sisterhood meeting from the book of Ruth, Sunday, March 23rd our pastor will be present to conduct the divine services in his usual way.

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NEWS FLASHES

(Associated Negro Press).

Philadelphia, Pa., March 20.—William Robinson of this city, was placed on the detective force last week, taking the place of John Diney, who resigned to go into private business. Robinson has been a member of the force for some time, and Philadelphia is elated at the new spirit of democracy being shown.

Atlanta, Ga., March 20.—Warren Edwards and Henry Landers, two Negroes engaged in a little card game were brutally murdered by a white officer here when they attempted to escape.

Ashville, N. C., March 20.—The War Camp Community Service plans to expend \$5,000 here for the social betterment of the soldiers returning from the war.

Atlanta, Ga., March 20.—Dr. W. Pearlstone was fined heavily in Court for practicing without a license. He stated that he charged no fee but the patients simply gave him the money.

Columbia, S. C., March 20.—Aaron Walker, a Negro, confined at the penitentiary was given a short lease on life, 30 days, because of the illness of the state electrician with influenza. He is doomed for accusation of criminal assault. He maintained his innocence, and even the officials at the penitentiary think him so.

Columbus, Ga., March 20.—Sam Spillers, Negro, was given a four year term in the penitentiary by Judge Howard, charged with shooting a Negro boy last December.

Greenwood, S. C., March 20.—A Negro soldier caused quite a little excitement here when he refused to be arrested by a policeman, who accused him of disorderly conduct. The soldier maintains that it was purely a case of discrimination, and gave the policeman a real tussle. When the military police appeared on the scene he quietly went away with them.

Ashville, N. C., March 20.—Rachel Smith, colored, was given a sentence of "ten years visit out of the city" by the police judge, on a charge of disorderly conduct. Judge announced that hereafter it will be his policy to send all disorderly Negroes on a "ten year visit" where they come before him.

Macon, Ga., March 20.—A lively scene was expected here last week when John C. Hill, Negro, was sentenced to twelve months in the chain gang because a white girl accused him of molesting her in a dark street one night. She admitted that she was "very much frightened" and the case hinged on whether a frightened person in a dark street not only could see, but could remember a face. The man protests innocence.

Portland, Ore., March 20.—The colored people of Oregon, the population of which has increased in large numbers in the last two years, are incensed over the failure of the legislature to pass the "Equal Rights" bill, which was finally voted down by a vote of 21 to 24. The bill was to extend equal privileges, which even without a law should be enjoyed in hotels, theaters, and other public places regardless of race. The declaration is being loudly made that there will be a day of reckoning.

Hartford, Conn., March 20.—A large delegation of colored people visited the legislature last week in an effort to have "Equal Right Legislation" passed. George W. Crawford and J. P. Peaker of New Haven, were spokesmen.

Philadelphia, March 20.—A state-wide campaign for cutting and abolishing new "Satin Top" our latest hair preparation for men gives your hair a full fluffy and silky look. Hot and cold baths in connection.

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The entire South is very much alarmed over existing economic conditions. The South is awake, as never before, as to the intrinsic value of the Negro population. Whereas, only a short time ago, there was a well financed propaganda to destroy the Negro and his rights, thereby, now, also, a propaganda just as well organized, and as well financed, with the aim of giving the Negro justice in all the ways of civic opportunity.

That this kind of feeling should prevail in the Southern states, and be upheld in pulpits and editorials of the leading whites, goes far to prove that the "new day" has arrived. Not only are the whites urging the Negro to be given real, rather than fancied justice, in the courts, but it is being urged that he be given the right to vote in many sections where a few years ago such an assertion would have meant a riot.

Recently, Dr. Proctor of Atlanta, urged the Negroes of Atlanta to register and vote, and is strange as it may seem, his address was given in a newspaper prominent space in the daily newspapers.

Even in the supposedly God-forsaken state of Mississippi, the whites and Negroes are banding together for the bettering of conditions. A recent gathering was held in the Board of Trade office at Jackson, where Federal Director Weir, of the United States Employment service stated that "We have come to a time for readjustment between men, races and nations on a common basis of understanding, which is right and justice."

This assertion was greeted with the loudest applause by both colored and white people in attendance.

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SOUTHERN WOMAN ON NEGRO LOYALTY.

(Southern Publicity Committee)

Winston-Salem, N. C.—Miss Kate M. Herring, Director of Publicity for the North Carolina War Savings Committee, has recently published in Northern and Southern magazines some interesting facts in regard to the thrift campaign among Negroes in her state. In the "Black Belt," where in fourteen counties the Negroes average 56 per cent of the population.

The subscription was 80 percent of the allotment, 4 per cent more than in the at large. In the county which subscribed 128 per cent of its allotment the Negroes form 47 per cent of the population. They furnish from 42 to 61 per cent of 13 of the 19 counties which subscribed 100 per cent or over. Subscriptions ranged from that of a Negro who took the limit of \$1,000 for each member of his family to those whose subscriptions were paid for in 25-c stamps, including a washerwoman with a blind husband who subscribed for \$50 worth for herself and him.

Mrs. Herring gives three reasons for this remarkable showing: the "black" counties are agriculturally rich; the Liberty Bond campaigns did not draw largely on this section; and "North Carolina recognized the Negro as an American citizen, and gave him responsibilities the same as white men. Like the colored soldier at the front, he heard the call and responded."

WHITE WOMAN REMAINS TRUE TO HER NEGRO LOVER.

Wheeling, W. Va.—A white woman, Millie Gray, was brought in court here because it was discovered that she was in love with a Negro, George Williams. Every effort was made by the Court to show her the "folly of her way" but she absolutely refused to disclaim her affection for the man Williams. As a result, the woman was given the maximum sentence of six months in jail and \$50 fine. The woman went to her punishment without a murmur except to state that as soon as she is out she will marry Williams regardless of protests.

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